## CLAIMS

1. Canal instrument (1) of the dental reamer type, having a working cross section (10) which comprises three flutes (20, 21, 22) forming three cutting lips (30, 31, 32), characterized in that the three cutting lips (30, 31, 32) are situated at the vertices of an isosceles triangle.

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2. Method for production of a canal instrument (1) according to Claim 1, characterized in that two flutes (20, 21) are produced by performing two identical successive machining operations, at 120°, then in that the third flute (22) is produced by performing a third machining operation at a greater depth than the first two.

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3. Method for production of a canal instrument (1) according to Claim 2, characterized in that the depth of the third flute (22) is greater than that of the first two flutes (20, 21) at the point of the working cross section (10) of the instrument and then becomes identical to the depth of the first two flutes (20, 21).

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4. Method for production of a canal instrument (1) according to Claim 1, characterized in that two flutes (20, 21) are produced by performing two identical successive machining operations, at an angle greater than 120°, then in that the third flute (22) is produced by performing a third machining operation complementing the first two.

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35 5. Method for production of a canal instrument (1) according to Claim 1, characterized in that two flutes (20, 21) are produced by performing two identical successive machining operations, at an angle less than 120°, then in that the third flute

(22) is produced by performing a third machining operation complementing the first two.